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Response to Office Action Dated 08/02/2004

**REMARKS****Background**

A review of the claims indicates that:

- A) Claims 1—41 were originally filed.
- B) Claims 25, 29 and 30 remain in their original form.
- C) Claims 24, 27 are currently amended.
- D) Claims 1—23, 26, 28 and 31—41 are canceled without prejudice of the Applicant's right to file the same or similar claims in the future.
- E) Claims 42—46 are newly added.
- F) Accordingly, claims 24, 25, 27, 29, 30 and 42—46 are pending.

**Allowable Material**

The Examiner found allowable material in claims 26, 27, 29 and 30. In view of this finding, the Applicant desires to put the case into condition for allowance.

**Claim Cancellations**

To put the case into condition for allowance, the Applicant has cancelled a number of claims. All claim cancellations are made without prejudicing the Applicant's right to file the same or similar claims in the future.

Claim 26 was cancelled because the objected-to material recited by this claim was moved to claim 24.

Claim 28 is substantially the same as new claim 43, and has therefore been cancelled.

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**Claim Amendments**

The Applicant has amended claim 24 to include the subject matter of objected-to claim 26. Accordingly, the Applicant has cancelled claim 26 and claim 24 is in allowable condition.

Claim 27 was amended to depend from claim 24 rather than cancelled claim 26.

**New Claims**

New claims 42—44 are very similar to claims 24, 25 and 27. However, new claims 42—44 claim a computer-readable media, rather than a method. Accordingly, claims 42—44 are allowable for substantially the same reason that claims 24, 25 and 27 are allowable.

Claims 45 and 46 are very similar to claims 29 and 30. However, new claims 45 and 46 claim a computer-readable media, rather than a method. Accordingly, claims 45 and 46 are allowable for substantially the same reason that claims 29 and 30 are allowable.

**Conclusion**

The Applicant submits that all of the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully requests that a Notice of Allowability be issued. If the Office's next anticipated action is not the issuance of a Notice of Allowability, the

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1 Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be contacted for the  
2 purpose of scheduling an interview.

3 In the event that the Examiner finds any remaining impediment to a prompt  
4 allowance of this application that could be clarified over the telephone, the  
5 Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney.

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7 Respectfully Submitted,

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